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# Inside Your Third

The Newsletter for the Third Taxing District Electric Department

#### **Your Commission**

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## May Flowers

## **Arbor Day Contest Winners!!**





Commissioner Feinstein with the winners of the Arbor Day Poetry Contest, Eloise Ginsberg Libre, Ainsley Gilligan, Claire Lyons, Robert Norrholm and Mark Taliercio (holding shovel). On April 28th the winners of the Arbor Day Contest presented their poems at a ceremony in Fitch park. The winners were selected by a panel of judges that included Patrick Shields, Victor Tenore and Margaret Csovanyos. Mrs. Csovanyos is a published poet and presented each of the winners with a book containing her poetry. Congratulatory speeches were given by Commissioner Feinstein and on behalf of Commissioner Santella. After the poems were presented, a tree donated by Oman's Garden Center was planted by all the children attending the ceremony. All of the poems entered in the contest will be bound in book form and kept in our East Norwalk Library. Congratulations to all the participants and to our five winners. Look for Ainsley

Gilligan riding in the electric vehicle in the Memorial Day parade!

#### **Upcoming Events**

May 15

Meeting 7:00
Eunice Van
Zilen Room

Memorial
Service
Shea/Magrath
Memorial
3:00

May 29

Memorial Day

Commission

## **Memorial Service and Concert**

The Veterans Memorial Committee will conduct memorial services at the Shea/Magrath Memorial on Sunday, May 21, 2000. The service will begin at 3:00 PM. All

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Enjoy the Celebrations
Of
Freedom!

veteran organizations in the city will take part in the presentation. Guest speaker for the ceremonies will be Colonel (Ret.) William O. Gall of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division. The 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division Band from Fort Drum will play at the ceremonies. Later that day they will perform a concert at 8:00 PM at the Norwalk Concert Hall. Admission is free. John Magrath and Daniel Shea are our two Medal of Honor recipients from Norwalk. They grew up in East Norwalk and graduated from Marvin School. Let's show our support for our veterans by attending the ceremonies to honor our two East Norwalk heroes and all veterans!

### **East Norwalk Beautification Committee**

The newly formed East Norwalk Beautification
Committee held its first meeting on March 30, 2000
at the Eunice Van Zilen meeting room. Michelle
Beyman was elected as Chairperson of the
committee. Jean Bell accepted the duties of
secretary. Various areas of East Norwalk that will be
targeted for beautification were discussed. Principle concern

was expressed about the abandoned Howard Johnson's and the beach area. The

Chairperson seeks to reach out to the community. Do you know of an area in our community that the committee should consider? Have any of your neighbors paid particular attention to their yards or neighborhood and should be recognized for their extra effort? The committee would like to know. Pride in East Norwalk is contagious. Working together, East Norwalk can remain the most desirable location in the city.

#### **Memorial Day Parade News**

Terry Rooney of the Veterans Memorial Committee recently met with the membership of Marvin School PTO and explained that according to government records, Norwalk can claim the distinction as being the only city in the United States from which two Medal of Honor recipients graduated from the same school. He explained to those in attendance that the Veterans Memorial Committee established awards for floats in the Memorial Day parade. This is an opportune time for Marvin School to enter a float. The float will be escorted by the electric car from the Third Taxing District, which will carry Ainsley Gilligan, the student winner of the Arbor Day poetry contest.

## **New Additions To Our District**

#### **Roger Ludlow Monument**

At its April 11, 2000 meeting, the Common Council voted to accept the Third Taxing District's offer to maintain the three traffic islands on Gregory Boulevard and Fifth Street. The district will continue maintenance and improvements to these three areas. The district will be coordinating its efforts with the Marvin Beach Association, which has been doing a magnificent job on the westerly island closest to Fifth Street. The acceptance of the District's offer reinforces the image of the electric department and its mission to serve its ratepayers in many facets, one of them being to ensure the maintenance of a beautiful community that we all can be proud of.

#### Electric Truck on its way!

At the April 17, 2000 meeting of the Third Taxing District Commission,

the Commission approved the purchase of a new electric truck for the electric department. The motion was passed by a 2 to 1 vote, Commissioner Brown being the dissenting vote. The truck is funded in large part by a grant from CMEEC, our electrical supply cooperative. A full two-thirds of the cost of the truck will be borne by CMEEC. This truck will allow us to provide pollution free maintenance of our district's electric distribution facilities. The truck is flexible, allowing employees to perform everything from meter testing to underground conduit work., on-site. Now more than 20% of our fleet will be powered by nonpolluting energy sources. The federal government only suggests 2%. Another way your community electric company is enhancing the quality of life in our community!

## **East Norwalk Improvement Association**

#### **Library Notes**

Marjorie Kleinknecht resigns her position as Assistant Librarian effective June 1, 2000. It is with profound sadness that the board of directors of the East Norwalk Improvement Association accepts her resignation. Marge has been a devoted employee of the library for many years. Many of the needs of our patrons would have gone unfulfilled were it not for Marge and her dedication. She will be missed by all.

However, she will not disappear, and promises to return as needed. Maureen Tovish, part time librarian, will take Marge's place. We wish Marge the best in her retirement!

To maintain the budget approved by the electorate, the library will no longer have Wednesday evening hours. No other changes are being made to the Library's hours of operation. All residents are encouraged to make use of the Library and all of its resources.

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